NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Progress of Preparations for Entertainment at St. Paul

The following synopsis of the week's official program has been given out by the Citizens' Committee. Some events will be added before the Encampment opens, and there will be a very elaborate program of unofficial events from day to day:

Monday, Aug. 31 .- Arrival of Commanderin thief Walker and staff. Reception to Commander-in-Chief and staff at National lieadquarters at 8:30 p. m. General illumination of the city. Informal bicycle parade and display on Sixth and other streets from 8 to 10 p. m. Reception by W.R.C., Department of Minnesota, on a short time it was discovered that the Conat State Capitol, 7 to 12 p. m.

Tuesday, Sept. 1.-Parade of Naval Veterans, 10 a. m. Reception to Ladies G.A.R., Depart ment of Mannesota, 3 to 6 p. m., Bowtby Hall. Bacycle club contests for cash prizes on Sixth and other streets at 7 p. m. Campfires at Auditorium seating 8,000, and in other large halls, 8 p. m. Renotons all day and evening in Courthouse, and other places. General Grand Army reception 8 p. m. at Ladies Headquarters and along Summit avenue for a half tutic, at stations prepared and decorated for the purpose,

Wednesday, Sept. 2.-Grand Army parade at 10 a. m. Eight divisions. First division resting on Western and Dayton avenues. Grand Reviewing Stand at Smith Park. Reunions afternoons and evenings. Reception National President Ladies G.A.R., National Headquarters, Hotel Ryan, 8 to 10 p. m. Reception to Daughters of Veteraus, National Headquarters, Hotel Ryan, 9 to 10:30 p. m. Reception Na tional President Woman's Reliet Corps to Commander-in Chief Walker at National Headquarter-, Hotel Ryan, 8 to 10 p. m. Regatta on Mississippi River, Minnesota Boat Club, 4 p. m. Campfires at Auditorium and other places, 8 p. m.

Thursday, Sept. 3.-National Encampment Grand Army of the Republic, at Auditorium, 10 a. m. Parade National Guard Minnes ta, 8:30 a. m. Reunions during atternoon and evening. Compfires 8 p. m. at Auditorium and other places. Reception to fill visiting ladies at Ladies' Headquarters, 2 to 6 p. m. Carriage drive visiting ladies, starting from Ladies' Headquarters 9 a. m.

Friday, Sept. 4 .- Lake excursion to White Bear, Daughters of Veterans and Loyal Home Workers, starting at hour to be fixed later. Lake excursions to delegates starting right after close of National Encampment, probably noon. Rennions afternoon and evening. Campfires at Auditorium and other places, 8 p. m. Recention to Daughters American Revolution, to all women's patriotic societies at Ladies' Headquarters, 3 to 6 p. m.

Information Circular No. 1, issued by the Citizens' Committee in July, so far as it referred of the railways to make a larger rate within a radius of 250 miles from the Encampment city than for the longer distances outside of such radius. The rate for the forthcoming 30th Anmual Encampment of the G.A.R. will be, within the radius of 250 miles from St. Paul, one limited by a maximum rate within that radius the 250 mile radius, rates of one cent per mile in each direction, provided that the rates from the following gateways shall be as follows tor Council Bluffs, \$8; East St. Louis; 12.50; Kansas City, \$12; Leavenworth, \$11.50; Mil-Joseph, \$10; St. Louis, \$12.75; Sioux City, \$7. hero was lest atone in his glory. West of the Missouri, in the Western Passenger Association territory, through rates will be one first-class fare for the round trip. See gateway rates above. An effort is being made, What is Being Done by the Veterans for the and it is expected that it will be successful, to change the date of selling tickets within the 250-mile radius, from Sept. 1, 2, and 3 to Aug. PENNSYLVANIA.-31 and Sept. 1 and 2. This will enable visitors to arrive in St. Paul Monday, Aug. 31, in time for the initial ceremonies.

Chairman Fred Richter, of the Reunion Committee of the Citizens' G.A.R. Committee, has arranged for several more Reunions. The Reunion of the First Brigade, First Division of the Ninth Corps, will be held at 350 Cedar street at noon, Sept. 3. The regiments belonging to the brigade are the 37th and 38th Wis., the 51st Pa., the 109th N. Y., and the 8th and

On Sept. 1 the following regiments will hold Reunions in Court Room No. 5, in the Courthouse: 1st, 2d, and 3d Wis, batteries, 16th and 42d Ohio, 33d and 49th Ind., 22d Ky., 25th Ind. L. A., Battery E. 1st Mich. L. A., Battery Nine, 1st Ohio L. A., Co. D, Veteran Reserve Corps. The 16th Wis, will hold its Repnion in Court Room No. 3 on Sept. 3. The 79th Ohio will 1. Chairman Richter is preparing a roster of with the places where they will be held and the hour. It will be issued within a few days.

ing the Encampment. Among the speakers | it says: were Gen. E. C. Mason, Col. A. Scheffer, Maj. Stevens, Dr. Whitcomb, and C. W. Horr. Gen. Mason said the Sons of Veterans would be ex-

It is expected that there will be at least 1,500 erans have planned an excursion to White Bear for the members of the latter organization on Tuesday, Sept. 1, where an aquatic program will be carried out by the Minnesota Junior also be arranged.

proper a squad will be detailed each day to act as Orderlies and to assist in decorating the Ralph Hazenwinkle; First Serg't, Frank Fer-

Secretary Pinney has received a letter from Col. George P. Kelley, of Tracey, Minn., Commander of the Minnesota Division of the Sons of Veterans, accepting the invitation of erans' parade Sept, 1. Col. Kelley states in his | in the time given. letter that there will probably be six companies of the Minnesota Division present, and that Committee may wish. He also asks that a portion of Camp Mason be set aside for their use. They will bring their own tents and a part of the camp ground will be devoted to their camp.

The Reunion of the Regimental Association Ramsey and others will be present.

Survivors of the Army of the Frontier-Wilson's Creek, Pea Ridge, and Prairie Grovefrom all comrades who expect to be present. | and you should surely try it.

MAJ. ROEMER.

The Passing Away of a Gallant Old Artilleryman.

Another of the old heroes has been transferred to the great majority on the other side. Maj. Jacob Roemer, the commander of one of the most famous batteries in our civil war, died last week at his home in Flushing, Long Island, and was buried on Saturday, July 18, with all military honors. When his death became known the flag was placed at half-mast en all public buildings and the State Armory of the 27th Separate Company; also on many private residences. This battery was actively engaged in 57 battles and engagements, and lought from Cedar Creek to Vicksburg, and from there to the Tennessee campaign, and crowned itself with glory at the siege of Knoxville. At the close of this campaign it was ordered North, and joined the Army of the Potomac, under Gen, Grant, and fought through the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg campaign to the close of the war. On April 3, 1865, the last shot was fired on that city by Moi. Roemer in person. There being no response, he ordered no more firing, and tederates had evacuated the place.

It was at the siege of Knoxville that Roemer won great honors. Fort Sanders was the key to the position held by our forces under Gen. Burnside. It was thought impossible to hold the place, and preparations were made for a retreat. Roemer's battery, with Benjamin's, occupied Fort Sanders, and this was the main object of Gen. Longstreet's vigorous attacks, and Gen. Ferrero sent an order to Roemer to spike his guns, shoot his horses, and get away with his men. This order he deliberately refused to obey, and, calling his men around tum, announced his intention of holding the fort to the last man. They replied with a shout, and every man took his place to do or die. Longstreet soon charged, but was driven back with terrible loss. Another and another followed, and with the same result. During these charges, so close at times were the combatants, that Roemer cut the fuses of his shells to 15 seconds, and t rew them over the works by hand among the rebels. The carnage was terrible, but Roemer and his heroic band fought undismayed, and, to the surprise of Gen, Burnside, held the position, and there was no retreat. In this battle the 79th N. Y. took an active part. In complimenting Roemer Gen. Burnside ordered that the flag which waved over the fort should be presented to Roemer, saving that "the man who had so bravely de-

fended it should possess it." This flag, known as the Knoxville flag, has covered the coffin of every member of the battery that has died since, and last it covered the remains of the hero to whom it was awarded, liad he not succeeded he would have been court-martialed for disobedience of orders and losing his guns.

Maj. koemer was wounded seven times, one of which never healed. The Surgeons demanded that the leg be amputated, but he threatened to shoot the first one who approached with a knite and saw, and officially saved the leg, but it was a source of pain and to the railway rates for the Grand Army En- well men. A pleasant teature of the funeral tives of a grateful people, who in this way ex- are always at command. She has been an campment in the Western Passenger A-socia- was the attendance of Gen. Franz Sigel, under tion, has led to some misunderstanding as to | whose command he fought his first battle at what the actual rates, under certain circum- | Cedar Creek, and next at the second battle of stances, will be. It has always been the custom | Buil Run, and whose triendship he had en- their liberty and their Government. joyed ever since. There are now but three of the old field comrades of the Major's left-Gen. Sigel, Col. Treadwell, and Maj. Curtis Brackett,

the latter of whom was unavoidably absent. The funeral was attended by Geo, Huntsman Post, 50, Commander Brown, and ty large regular first-class fare for the round trip. | delegations from every Post in Queens County. New York and Brooklyn were also represented. of \$5. From points in Eastern Committee ter- The 27th Separate Company, National Guard, ing squad at the grave. Rev. Dr. Smith, Episcopal, officiated at the house, and at the grave Post, After the volley over the grave, "lights out" was blown by the bugler of the U. S.

> THE GRAND ARMY. Good of the Order.

Headquarters of the Department will be established at Ho el Ryan, St. Paul, Tuesday, Sept. 1. where officers of the Department, Past Department Commanders, Representatives to National Encampment, Post Commanders, and Aids will report.

Iowa Ix-Prisoners of War. The Iowa Union Ex-Prisoners of War Association will hold a monster Campfire in a large tent on the State Fair Grounds at Des Moines, on Tuesday, Sept. 8. This is "Soldiers' Day," at which time all veterans will be admitted free, Secretary J. J. Stuckey, Des Mornes, is busily engaged in preparing an excellent program, and it is expected that from 3,000 to 5,000 old soldiers will be present.

Misstatements in a History.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I wish meet at the rooms at the Lincoln Club on Sept. through your valuable paper to call atten-Reunions, which will contain all the Reunions, States History now used in the public tion to a gross error I find in the United schools of Onio and Indiana concerning operations about Chattanooga, Tenn., in the Camp 1, S. of V., held a very enthusias- Fall of 1863. On page 300, paragraph 543, tie meeting last week. Addresses were made after stating that Gen. Grant was placed in by several prominent G. A.R. men, who outlined | command of the three Departments of the the work expected of the Sons of Veterans dur- Ohio, the Tennessee, and the Cumberland, Corps have renovated and newly carpeted their

"He (Grant) arrived at Chattanooga, Oct. Espey, Capt. H. A. Castle, Capt. Mahan, H. F. 23, and in five days threw open the road to Nashville, by which abundant supplies pected to act as an escort to the Naval Veter. reacted the starving National troops. As ans in the big parade, and also to take charge | the first provision-train steamed into the of the Daughters of Veterans. The Sons of station soldiers, sick with hunger, thronged Veterans will also have charge of the Home | to embrace the very locomotive, as if it had been a living fr end."

Only the statement that Grant arrived of them at the Encampment. The Sons of Vet- Oct, 23 is correct; the remainder is fiction. On Gen. Grant's arrival, Oct. 23, he took immediate steps to carry out Gen. Rosecrans's plan for clearing the river of Con-Yacht Club. Other forms of amusements will federa'e obstructions to navigation, and in Otto Ogden, at the home of the bride's parents. The First Baptist Church Company of the and Chattanooga, a distance of 55 miles by friends were present to witness the ceremony. Boys' Brigade has tendered its services to the the river. I was present for duty through Ladies' Committee of the G.A.R. as an infor- it all, and I assert that we had scarcely feit mation corps and for guard duty prior to and the pinch of hunger at the date given in the during the Encampment. The boys entered history. Our chief supply came by wagons Department President McCauley, Our corre- a nugget of \$144.40 to the Corps treasury. date until the opening of the Encampment over the mountain roads from Bridgeport. Spondent was among the friends invited to Soon after the battle of Missionary Ridge, meet them at tea. Nov. 25, the rebel Gen. Wheeler got to our Headquarters at the Kittson Mansion. Dur- rear with a large force of cavalry and deing the Eucampment the entire company, 30 stroyed a train of 500 loaded wagons. From strong, will be on duty as guardy. Orderlies, that time on we suffered hunger. It was a and as an information corps. The boys will be common thing for us to draw three days' on duty every day from Aug. 17 to Sept. 7. ex- rations, eat them in one day, and fast until cept Sunday, Aug. 23. The officers of the com- the next draw. When the first provisionpany arc; Capt., E. M. Van Duzee, jr.; Lieut., trains steamed in, Jan. 24, 1864, there had been no issue of rations since the 20th, and many had been absolutely without food for

three days. With all honor to Gen. Grant, I object to history ascribing to him acts which he did | Condon and Past Department President Dilnot do, and which we of the Army of the worth. The Post was invited in, and a few the Committee to take part in the Naval Vet- Cumberland know it was impossible to do

If I have made any misstatement I will be glad to have some comrade correct me .they are willing to do anything which the A. B. CONNETT, Co. E, 37th Ind., Camp Dennison, O.

A New Plant that Cures Asthma.

Medical Science at last reports a positive cure for Asthma in the wonderful Kola Plant. of the 6th Minn, will be held at 10 a. m. Sept. 1, a new botanical discovery found on the of Ayr united in a grand celebration of the Volunteer Association will march to the corner really marvelous. Rev. J. L. Combs, of Mar- and girls, led by a member of Herron Corps, of Seventh and Cedar streets, where the street | tinsburg, W. Va., writes that it cured him of | was a feature of the day. cars will convey them to Fort Snelling. A re- Asthma of fifty years' standing, and Hon. L. Herron Corps is now discussing a series of ception will be given by Comrade Page, Colonel | G. Ciute, of Greeley, Iowa, testifies that for | papers presented by Corps members. The first of the Third United States Infantry, also dress | three years he had to sleep propped up in a | was on "Our Boys," and the latest, "Our parade, drill, and concert by the band. The chair, being unable to lie down night or day. Girls," Emma J. Miller, correspondent, says different regiments, it is expected, will there The Kola Plant cured him at once. To make the interest is great, and adds: "We find in Relief Corps Home has demonstrated the ability form a Minnesota Veteran Association. Gov. the matter sure, these and hundreds of other this way that we have materials to work with of the Woman's Relief Corps to project and cures are sworn to before a notary public. So | that we had been unable to see before. great is their faith in its wonderful curative powers, the Kola Importing Co., of 1164 Broadway, New York, to make it known, is sending now as happy as 40 housewives could be. This will meet at the Courthouse in St. Paul on out large cases of the Kola compound free to all Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 1 and 2. Com- sufferers from Asthma. All they ask in return tanqua, where they had the pleasure of meetrades are requested to take notice and give is that when cured yourself you will tell your ing Department President Condon and other publicity, that a large crowd may be present. neighbors about it. Send your name and ad- prominent representatives of the G.A.R. and W. E. Minshall, 20th Wis, of George H. Thomas dress on a postal card and they will send you | W.R.C.

CORPS. RELIEF

Gleanings from National Headquarters--Notes from Departments.

RAND ARMY HONORED.

Reception Tendered by the Woman's Relief Corps to Commander-in-Chief Walker and His Official Staff-Gov. Matthews, of Indiana, Speaks for the Brave Women of the War, and Thinks the Work for the Soldier and His Dependents Just Begun. G.A.R. AND W.R.C.

The following invitations have been issued by National President Lizabeth A. Turner to the W.R.C. reception in honor of Commanderin-Chief I. N. Walker:

You are cordially invited to be present RECEPTION tendered by the TOMAN'S RELIEF COR. IVAN N. WALKER, Commander-in-Chief, Grand Army of the Republic, and his official staff,

Hotel Ryan, St. Paul, Minn., Wednesday evening, Sept. 2, 1896. 8 to 10 o'clock. LIZABETH A. TURNER, National President, Woman's Relief Corps. Boston, Mass., July 25, 1896.

INDIANA SOLDIERS' HOME,

Gov. Matthews, of Indiana, Rejoices That a Place Has Been Made for Wives and

Mothers. At the dedicatory services of the Indiana Soldiers' Home it was a matter for general congratulation that the Hoosier State, in providing a Home for the veterans, did not forget to make a place for the wives, mothers and widows. Gov. Matthews, in his address accepting the Home on behalf of Indiana, dwelt particularly upon this, as did Gen, Carnaban, President of the Board, at the same time commending the Woman's Relief Corps, so largely instrumental in founding the Home with its present features. Lu Semens Hadley, Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic Teaching of Marsh B. Taylor Corns, Lafayette, Ind., near which the Indiana Soldiers' Home is situated, sends notes of interest, additional to those already printed from the pen of Department Correspondent duties that she has been chosen by each suc-Eliza J. Crisler.

Gov. Matthews believed that the work on behalf of the Home had only begun, and in systematic and accurate work. commending the Board he said : " May you in your guardianship be animated by a spirit of is, that Miss Elliot's patriotic zeal finds its best misery at times, and to the day of his death firm yet gentle justice, a tender humanity and expression. As a writer for the Boston news- Ind., 1852. She was the youngest child of Ira he managed to get around about as lively as May you never forget that you are representa- Campfires and on Memorial Days her services and stanch adherents of Methodism. On both press their gratitude to the brave men who earnest worker in the Ladies' Aid Association tared the dangers of the battlefield for them of the Soldiers' Home, and as Chairman of and their children and for the preservation of Kinsley Corps Committee on Patriotic Teach-

but in the partial payment of an obligation, which can never be fully paid so long as one of these veterans, the wife, the mother or the widow may need the care of a grateful people in their helpless age.

"It is to me a source of great pride to give just recognition to those who, in the quiet of the home, suffered agonies through terrible ritory (east of the Missouri River) outside of attended in tuil uniform, and formed the fir- days of war. They may not have fallen wounded on the battlefield, they may not painfully have dragged along the weary lines of the ritual of the Grand Army of the Republic | march or suffered beneath the pitiless storms the round trip: Atchison, \$11; Chicago, \$8; was effectively performed by the officers of the of camp or cannonade, yet, I ask you, who can mea-ure their suspense and anxiety as in the quiet of the home they waited for news from waukee, \$7; Peoria, \$9.50; Omaha, \$8.50; St. Army at Willett's Point, and the brave old the front, or for the return of those who never came back, God alone, in his mercy, can measure such suffering of the human heart.

"I want to say that no more pleasant duty came to me to perform during my administration as Governor of Indiana than when I took my pen and signed my name in approval of the Soldiers' Home bill." PATRIOTIC TEACHING AID.

In accordance with the wish of educators,

Comrade Redington will devote the Acme

Haversack, Syracuse, N. Y., hereafter entirely

to Patriotic Teaching. The new and beautiful title page of the Haversack is itself a patriotic A booklet of sample songs and literature will be mailed free, and should be put into the hands or every teacher at the Institutes, as well as on the opening of the Fall term of the schools. Slightly reduced in size, the price will be 10 cents per number, or \$1 per dozen; 30 cents for

the four numbers of a year. In clubs of 12, 25 cents per year. DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS. Cora Day Young, Past National Senior Vice-President, accompanied her husband, Gen. Charles L. Young, to Boston, where they have been the guests of friends. Mrs. Young is a daughter of the late Dr. Albert Day, a noted

Boston specialist, whose family still resides in that city. Department Secretary Mary E. Elliot, of Massachusetts, has been spending part of her vacation with friends in Portland, Me, The time of outings and picnics is not past, yet preparations for Winter have already be-

gun. Corps 102, Weymouth, comes first, with a fair the second week in November. Post and Emily L. W. Waterman, Department Senior Vice-President, has been a guest of friends in

Milford, when, escorted by 63 members of the Corps, she enjoyed a delightful outing at Natick. Post 46 and Corps 106, Fall River, have en-

joyed a union excursion to Rocky Point in the steamer Richard Borden.

DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS. Department Correspondent Etta W. Tanner. Olney, varies the usual Relief Corps accounts of arduous undertakings for replenishing relief funds by an account of the marriage of Dora Preston, President of Corps 135, Minier, to five days the small steamers Dunbar and | The bride was very beautiful in her summery Blue Wing were plying between Bridgeport attire, and a large number of relatives and Congratulations have been numerous from all her acquaintances, associates, and friends. Department Inspector Jennie Bross and Mrs.

> DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA. Relief Corps Day at the North Nebraska Reunion, Neligh, is said to have been the best feature of the Reunion. Department President Condon was present, and delivered an ad-

> mirable address. She also attended the North-

western Reunion at Bordeaux, of which we have favorable reports, Fairchild Corps, 34, has been instituted at Harvard by Emily O. Dilworth ; President, Celia A. Hurd. At the first regular meeting of Fairchild Corps, a few days later, a reception was held in honor of Department President delightful hours speat. There were wellspread tables and inspiring music by the Har-

vard Cornet Band. Farragut Corps, 10, Lincoln, continue their active work in all lines of Relief Corps activities. Numerous relief visits are reported, and tangible help extended. An extensive lawn fete was planned, which inclement weather changed to an indoor entertainment. A sewing circle has been doing excellent work. The Grand Army, Relief Corps, and S. of V.

The Corps at Alma reports a thorough house. cleaning and renovation, and that they are Corps reports a pleasant day at Orleans Chau-

Post, 5, Chicago, Ill., will be pleased to hear a large case by mail free. It costs you nothing, T. K. Warren Corps, Gibbon, which united

vited to a free dinner, after exercises of an elaborate character had been carried out, have

union and Irrigation Fair. A RELIEF CORPS PIONEER.

On a recent Summer afternoon there was a notable gathering of fair women and brave men at Odd Fellows Hall, Union Square, Summerville, Mass. assembled there by Willard C. Kingsley Corps, 21, to do honor to their first President, Miss Mary E. Elliot, who has served continuously as an officer of Corps or Department since 1879.



MARY E. ELLIOT. Mary E. Elliot, Department Secretary of Massachusetts, is a lineal descendant of Joseph Elliot and John Hicks, Revolutionary soldiers who lost their lives in defense of their country and a sister of Charles D. Elliot, of Summerville, an Engineer of the Nineteenth Corps. Her work on behalf of the Union soldier began when she was an organizer of Willard C. Kinsley Corps, Independent, March, 1879. Miss Elliot compiled the ritual and was the first President; but in 1882 the Corps through her efforts was reorganized and became a part of the Department of Massachusetts, W.R.C. She served as a Delegate to National Convention, Minneapolis, 1884, and has participated in every subsequent National Convention, twice as Assistant National Secretary and repeatedly as member of the Press Committee.

In 1885, upon the resignation of Sarah E. Fuller, Department Secretary of Massachusetts, to accept the office of National President, Miss Elliot was chosen her successor by Department President M. Susie Goodale, and so efficiently and conscientiously has she discharged her ceeding President to this responsible and onerous position. Her annual reports are models of

But it is not in routine work, excellent as it ing she has been instrumental in introducing "Indiana does not do this for mere charity, the flag salute into the schools of Summerville. She was active in the formation of Bunker Hill Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and is a member of the Pilgrim Fathers' Association and numerous other societies and

Miss Elliot is one of those modest, quiet, unassuming workers who go steadily forward perfecting their work and multiplying their activities, while others are stopping to talk over what they should do; representative, in fact, of the rank and file of a splendid body of women who, seeking nothing for themselves, but everything for the cause they serve, constitute to-day the bone and sinew of the Woman's Relief Corps, The closing stanzas of a poem read at the

reception given in her honor by John E. Gilman, Junior Vice-Commander, Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R., indicate the hearty esteem in which Miss Eiliot is held not only by her associates in the Relief Corps, but by the comrades of the Grand Army of Mas-achusetts:

Mary, 'mongst these loyal women, You've been long a shining light, And you merit well the tribute They have tendered you to-night.

You have won it by the service That you rendered to your Corps, When you bore its many burdens, In the struggling days of yore, By your strict regard to duty

In the high and honored place, Which you fill with so much talent, So much modesty and grace. By your bright, fraternal speeches,

Gems of silvery eloquence, Lifting up our thoughts to heaven And a gracious Providence. By your charity, which never Failed a comrade when in need,

Seeking out the poor and lowly, Marking not his race or creed. By your loyalty to country, To the men that made it free,

To the flag that floats above us, You have won our fealty. Hence we join in paying homage Unto you, our honored guest, Hence we pray our Heavenly Father

That you be forever blest,

SOUTH DAKOTA. E. M. Stanton Post and Corps, Lead, S. D. assisted by Custer Post and Corps, S. of V. and the loyal citizens of the place, royally entertained the ninth annual Reunion of the Soldiers and Sailors' Home, S. D. Numerous soldiers and citizens of distinction were in attendance, also Department President Adelia Hale Connor

and other prominent W.R.C. women. The United States cavalry from Fort Meade added interest to the Reunion. Those in attendance were very much impressed by the fine soldierly bearing of the 8th Cav. The 10th annual Reunion will be held June, 1897, at Belle Fourche, and judging from the interest attending the ninth Reunion, without parallel in the history of the Black Hills, the attendance will be very large. Mary Glover, reporting the Reunion, says that Relief Corps work is extending rapidly in the Black Hill country, and that the interest is increased since the Department President was chosen from that region. Corps have been organized in several towns. and others are forming. E. M. Stanton Corps. 3. Lead, though only a few months old, num-

bers 50 members, and a recent entertainment Rose Clark, of Chicago, have been the guests of given by the young women of the Corps added PLUMA L. COWLES.

One of the important reports to come before National Convention will be that of Pluma L. Cowles, Secretary of the National Relief Corps Home Board. These reports are always looked



MRS. PLUMA L. COWLES. forward to with great interest, as the National successfully manage large business enter-

Without anticipating the report, which this year will show more conclusively than ever the beneficence of the National Woman's Relief Corps Home in furnishing friends, comfort, shelter and sympathy to the wives, mothers,

rangements, are accorded much praise for successfully carrying out "Columbia's Memorial," Entre bad, in the course of their operations, and for bringing the boys and girls into this discovered the necessity of such an institution, exercise, and the general observances of the and issued a call for propositions for a building day. The Corps of North Platte, having ac- site; but without the prompt and active coquitted themselves nobly on Memorial Day, operation of Pluma L. Cowles, in coming for- Meetings and Other Matters Pertaining when all soldiers and their families were in- | ward with a proposition from the citizens of Geneva and Madison, O., to donate the buildings of an abandoned educational institution, been interesting themselves in the District Re- the project would have been a long time nearing completion, if, indeed, anything would ever

have come of it. Great opportunities bring forth great women, will soon be an added maxim to the hoarded wisdom of the ages. Pluma L. Cowles deserves the credit of being designated the great woman of the National Relief Corps Home project. Pluma L. Cowles is of New England parentage. Her grandfather served through the Revolution, and her father, William R. Jacques, was an active worker for the abolition of slavery. Her father and mother removed from Connecticut to Chautauqua County, N. Y.,

where she was born Oct. 26, 1839. In 1847 the family settled in Geneva, O. The daughter was sent to Oberlin College, where she received her education, and in 1868 was married to Edwin R. Cowles, a brave soldier of the 105th Ohio, who rendered heroic service during the war, survived serious wounds at Atlanta, and is now one of the

leading church and business men of Geneva.
Pluma L. Cowles's Relief Corps work began when Bowers Corps, 141, was instituted at Geneva, in 1888, of which she was the first President, serving three years, and helping to build up one of the largest and most useful Corps in Ohio. She was Chairman of the Committee that tarried through the project of securing and presenting the site of the National Woman's Relief Corps Home, which she did at seventh National Convention, held at Milwankee, 1889. In 1890 the Home was dedicated. When the State of Ohio appropriated \$5,000 of the National Home, Mrs. Cowles was appointed by the Governor a member of the Construction Board. This cottage was completed in 1892.

Eighth National Convention, W.R.C., elected Pluma L. Cowles a member of the Home Board for four years, and at the end of that period she was re-elected for the five-years term. Bethe Home, in addition to her labors as Secretary, she received and accounted for all donations and supplies.

It was through her instrumentality that the funds for a monument were collected in memory of an Army Nurse who rests in a Kentucky graveyard, which monument was placed there by Union soldiers acting through her advice. Secretary Cowles has given up her entire time to her desk and Relief Corps Home supervision. Her correspondence with Departments and applicants for admission is very voluminous. She audits bills and books, and reports to the Chairman of the Board. One of her pleasantest duties is to mail remittances to needy Army Nurses outside the Home.

ILLINOIS PRESIDENT.

Department President Mary E. McCauley, of Illinois, is a Hoosier by birth, born in Peru, sides of the house her grandsires were Revolutionary soldiers.

Her education was received at the Methodist College at Fort Wayne. In 1869 she removed with her parents to Illinois, and in 1870 was married to Richard M. McCauley, member of an influential family of Richland County, now s prominent lawyer, active in civic and public | OHIO.



tinction at the bar, served in the 98th Ill., en- | Colsher, Quartermaster; L. Hawkins, Adjutant. listing with three brothers in 1862. This regi- One thing I admire especially about the Post ment constituted a part of the famous Wilder's | is that they seem to thoroughly appreciate the Brigade. Three of the brothers returned and | Ladies of the G.A.R. We have a flourishing

one lies buried at Stone River. and two daughters. One of the daughters, of the Commander. It is our baby Circle, and Myrtle B. McCauley, is Department Secretary | a lively youngster it is. of Illinois, and the other, the youngest, is her father's private secretary.

President McCauley is a charter member of Eli Buyer Relief Corps, Olney, instituted May, seems to be no trouble in that line so far. It 1895, of which she has always been an active worker, serving as President, Secretary, and which have paid well both socially and finanyears as Department Inspector and three years | considers that Denver has two Posts that recog- | Chicago, is the artist. as Department Treasurer. To the latter office | nize and work with the Ladies of the G.A.R. she was each time elected unanimously, and | First and foremost is A. Lincoln Post, 4, which, declining a fourth term was sent as Delegate- from the first, has stood by our Order, and has at-Large to Thirteenth National Convention just sent on to the Commander-in-Chief resoluat Louisville.

At the Illinois Convention, held in Cairo May last, she was, by unanimous vote, made Department President.

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

The Proceedings of 12th Annual Convention, neat volume of 184 pages, the frontispiece bearing an excellent half-tone portrait of Past Department President Lodusky J. Taylor. Headquarters, Department of Connecticut. W.R.C., at St. Paul will be established at 197 East Ninth street; Cordelia A. Blakeman, De-

Department President. W.R.C. will be established at the Clarendon Hotel, St. Paul; M. Louise Putnam, Depart- during the past month.

ment President. friends in attendance, Sarah C. Nichols, Past of Memorial Day into a general racing day for designs of fruit and flower for vases, bowl National President, made an earnest plea on man and beast. It seems like sacrilege to cups, and trays. The magazine must delight behalf of the Relief Corps Home at Oxford. carry on so much gambling on the day we wish all lovers of the gentle art of painting on Julia Stevens, Corps Correspondent, reports a to honor our noble dead. There seems to be a china. 35 University Place, New York. Price delightful evening, with musical and literary growing interest in our Order, and naturally 30 cents. exercises and speeches by the comrades.

The Department of Illinois proposes to build one side, for we realize that a grand good work has been done by others, and there is room for cott, an Army Nurse, and this will be in the all. There cannot be too many earnest helpers sketches. Published at Cincinnati, O. Price shape of a Lippincott Memorial Cottage at the in so good a cause. We, the mothers, sisters, 10 cents, or \$1 a year. Illinois Soldiers and Sailors' Home grounds at wives and daughters, consider it our pleasant Quincy. Helen F. Bristol, of Quincy, has been duty to help the dear old boys, and all we ask of made Chairman of the Building Committee. them is that they extend to us the right hand The veterans of the Soldiers' Home have voluntarily deposited \$1,600 with Superintendent President, Colorado and Wyoming, Cripple Kirkwood for this purpose. Department President Mary E. McCauley, of Illinois, while on a visit to Quincy was given a

banquet by the Corps. There was a large attendance of the G.A.R. and W.R.C. Soldiers' Day at the Centennial, Wooster, O. The Relief Corps of Orrville, Lucy S. Hamilton President, were in attend-

Goes Him Two Better.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I see in your issue of July 9 the war record of the Cole family of Poweshiek County, Iowa, I can go him two better. My father, Anson Stark, of Lyme, N. H., enlisted in Co. H, 11th N. H.; W. D. Stark, the oldest son, in Co. B, 19th Wis.; Nathan B., the second, in Co. G. 1st Vt. Cav.; David C., Co. H, 11th N. H.; Harrison A., Co. E, 3d N. H., and Edward H., Co. C, 7th N. H. The two youngest were killed, the second and third were wounded. The oldest, being a musician. came out whole; the father came out broken down in health. - W. D. STARK, Co. B, 19th Wis., Sparta, Ill.

A Woman's Remedy for Woman. prominent representatives of the G.A.R. and Widows of soldiers, just a word about the Secretary.

T. K. Warren Corps, Gibbon, which united with Post and S. of V. in Memorial Day ar
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REUNIONS.

to Various Organizations.

ILLINOIS. L. H. Prossor, Wykoff, Minn.-Reunion 33d Iil. at law office of J. W. Straight, 328 Robert street, St. Paul, Minn., Wednesday morning, Sept. 2, at 9 o'clock a. m.

NAVAL. W. D. Crandall, Historian, 1101 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo. - Rennion Society of Survivors of Mississippi River Ram Fleet and Marine Brigade, in Fire and Marine Insurance Building, St. Paul, Sept. 3, at 9 a. m.

MICHIGAN. The Lenawee County Soldiers and Sailors' Reunion was held at Deerfield, Aug. 11, with a good attendance. The welcoming address was delivered by President B. Stansbury; prayer by Rev. Stephens; oration by Hon. L. H. Salsbury, who dealt with the constitutional evil of slavery, and believed that God raised up Abraham Lincoln as the special instrument of freedom. The next meeting will be held at Blissfield, on the second Tuesday in August, 1897. Officers were elected as follows: Pres., J. D. Smead, Blissfield; Sec., Capt. M. H. Beemis, Deerfield; Treas., H. M. Parker, Blissfield. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. T. Jenkins, Secretary, Sullivan, Ill .- At the second annual Reunion of our Brigade Association, held in the city of Louisville, Ky., on Sept. 12, 1895, a committee of three, consisting of Samuel J. Johnston, President-elect, of Good of the Order." for building an Ohio Cottage on the grounds | Findlay, O.; J. E. Ellison, Treasurer-elect, of Allegheny City, Pa., and A. T. Jenkins, Secretary-elect, of Sullivan, Ill., were appointed to select a place and time for our third annual Reunion. This Committee received an invitation from Phil Sheridan Command, U.V.U., Stoker and John M. Scott Posts, G.A.R., and the resident members of the 57th Regiment, O.V.V.I. to hold our Reunion this year at Findlay, O., fore the appointment of a Superintendent of at the same time the U.V.U. hold their Department Encampment here, on Oct. 14 and 15. After giving it due consideration, the Committee accepted the invitation.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. The officers of the New Hampshire Veterans' Association have prepared and sent out an at- G. Young, Montrose; J. A., Clinton Cooper, tractive program for 20th annual Encampment, | Mankato. which will be held on the grounds of the Association here Aug. 25-28, inclusive. The camp will be known as Camp C. W. Pickering. All veterans of the army and navy, with their families and friends, whether from New Hampshire or other States, are cordially invited to be present. All comrades are requested to register their names, upon arrival, at the Sec- Capt., C. W. Fellows; First Lieut., E. T. Barretary's office, where camp badges will be for den; Second Lieut., T. E. Rue; Chap., E. J.

NEW YORK. E. L. Beach, Secretary, Gloversville-Re- Wm. W. Lysle; C. S., F. W. Fox; Principal union of Col, Morgan H. Chrysler's 2d N. Y. Musician, J. J. School; C. G., C. W. Engle; had to be dressed daily. He was possessed of great vitality, and in spite of wounds and age, to your State and to those under your care, disseminate Relief Corps work. As speaker at County, prominent in the Abolition movement ters at Post Wheeler, G.A.R. Hall, Arcade Building.

> 1st Battalion New York Sharpshooters, at Rochester, Thursday, Sept. 24. Headquarters at Livingston Hotel. Samuel B. Williams, Secretary, Rochester-Reunion Engineer Brigade (50th and 15th N. Y. Eng.), at Seneca Falls, Aug. 27.

C. R. Baker, Secretary, Sing Sing-Reunion

S. A. Adams, Corresponding Secretary-Reunion 110th Ohio, at Xenia, O., Sept. 3. Meeting at G.A.R. Hall. Dinner will be served by Tawney and staff, of Pennsylvania Division, ladies of W.R.C. Robert S. Grimm, Secretary, Mt. Vernon-Reunion 24th Ohio, at Bellevue, Sept. 17. Benjamin Killam, Secretary, 206 Superior street, Cleveland-Reunion 23d Ohio, at Lakeside, Aug. 26, 27, and 28.

WISCONSIN. A. G. Weissert, Milwankee-Rennion 8th Wis., at St. Paul, Sept. 2. Write Comrade indicates, it is an attempt to publish a complete

LADIES OF THE G.A.R.

Weissert.

Interesting Letter from the President of the Colorado and Wyoming Department. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Many Eastern people seem to think that all we Westerners to read at first, but one soon becomes used to re thinking about is 16 to 1. Granted that | it, to a degree; it bothers the eye continually. subject interests us a good deal, but it doesn't | Reform spelling seems a long way distant, altake all our time or thoughts. The old soldiers | though there be many who are interested in can get up very pleasant entertainments in these | bringing it about. The change of verb forms, regions, and the deeds and words of the '60's "nod" for knew, "grod" for grew, and "become in for more time and thought than any- comd" for became, are some samples of the thing else. Such was the case at Victor a short | liberties that the author takes with our words. time ago, at the installation of the new Post, SHE FELL IN LOVE WITH HER HUSBAND.

named Victor Post, 99. You must know that Victor is another wonderful gold mining-camp about five miles from the one where I am now stopping. Some of the Judge McCauley, for he has won that dis- officers are: J. S. Fritz, Commander; J. W. Circle there, and much of its prosperity is due Comrade and Mrs. McCauley have two sons to the energy and interest of Sister Fritz, wife

Denver Circle, 1, is growing to be a very large society, and some seem to be afraid it will grow so large as to be unwieldy, but there tions urging the more general recognition of those near and dear to them. Copies of these same resolutions have been sent all over our Department, and it is hoped they may stir

others up to action. The other Post is James H. Platt Post, 98. One of their members, jokingly and part in claim the heroine of the book is now well Department of Minnesota, W.R.C., constitute a earnest, said that they considered themselves known in New York.

auxiliary to Ladies of the G.A.R. The Circles all other the Department are in a flourishing condition; of course, some more than others. Leadville Circle, 2, is growing in interest; James G. Blaine Circle has just closed a Merchants' Carnival, realizing somepartment Senior Vice-President, Chairman of where in the neighborhood of \$100; John A. the Reception Committee; Louise H. Arnold, Logan and B. F. Butler Circles have had pleasant entertainments. Silver Circle is doing Headquarters Department of Vermont, well, but met with sadness, one of its officers

At our last Department Convention resolu- New York. 10 cents a copy, or \$1 a year. we are pleased. We do not wish to crowd any to of fellowship .- KATIE C. PATRICK, Department Creek, Colo.

A Bugle Call for McKinley. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Attention,

comrades! Lend me your ears for a moment. Stop talking politics and talk patriotism. at Red Key, Ind., with a membership of 125. Our beloved country is in danger as much as | Many applications for membership have since in 1861. Let us do like we did then, lay aside politics and mass ourselves on the side of true patriotism, as there are three dangerous elements arrayed against the best interests of our country. A large majority of them are selfish, narrow-minded cranks, with a good sprinkling of anarchists as an advance- for return passage until September 16th, with guard. Therefore, comrades, let us show our the privilege of an additional extension until patriotism like Gen. Sickles, who says he September 30th by depositing ticket with Joint don't intend to fire a blank cartridge, but Agent. will send in a solid shot for McKinley. So | The Rate from Philadelphia, will let each and every comrade do likewise. Send in a good solid shot for Maj, McKinley, who is a tried and true American, who risked his life for the country, and has labored faithfully for the best interests of the Ameri- And correspondingly low rates from other stacan people, especially for the millions of tions. Tickets will also be placed on sale at the toilers; and now, in conclusion, let us see to it that Comrade McKinley is put in command of the old ship of state. I am confident he will land her safe in the harbor of dining cars attached. prosperity and happiness. Yours, in F., C. and L.-DAVID GARVER, Captain, Co. E.

SONS OF VETERANS.

News from Various Divisions-Words of Bacouragement.

Division Commander H. D. Sisson, in last

General Orders, says: " Following the example

MASSACHUSETTS. Rollin C. Ward Camp, 121, of Northfield, was mustered on the evening of July 21. by Mostering Officer Frank S. Illingsworth; Capt. Geo. C. Irish commanding.

already set by the Commander of Massachusetts, Department of the Grand Army of the Republic, your Commander would remind you that although every brother has a perfect right to his opinion and has also the right to express it, he must concede to every other brother the same right which he demands for himself, We are on the verge of a campaign which for diversity of honest opinion has not been approached by any campaign of recent years, and while every man must decide for himself the proper course to be pursued it should at all times be remembered that our Order is nonpolitical and non-sectarian. Men of all political faiths and religious creeds went to the front to save the honor of our country, and in doing our duty to the defenders of our Union we cannot question the political or religious proclivities of our benefactors, but accord to all the honor and credit which the combination of all classes deserve by the result of their accomplishments. Remember, we are a cosmopolitan Order, and a man's political or religious faith does not enter into the case so far as his duty as a Son of a Veteran is concerned. The camp-room is not the place to settle these questions, and while is may be entirely unnecessary to remind the brothers of this Division of this fact, it is hoped that this gentle hint will be received in the spirit in which it is offered, that otherwise harmonious meetings may not be marred by discussions that cannot possibly militate to the

MINNESOTA.

The following is a complete roster of Division officers: Div. Com., Geo. P. Kelley, Tracy; S. V. C., A. O. Allen, Wells; J. V. C., Henry Stodieck, jr., Minneapolis, Division Council, D. W. Bevers, St. Paul; E. F. Heller, Duinth; C. L. Plumb, Winona. Delegate-st-large, W. D. Smith, Winnebago, City; Alternate-at-large, Luther C. Wilson, Minneapolis; Delegates, Louis DeLestry, St. Paul; G. W. Dwinnell, Glencoe; Alternates, D. W. Spaulding, Princeton; Cecil Horn, Rochester. Surg., J. N. Mallory, Marshall; Chap., W. P. McNally, Royal ton; Adj't and Q. M., Geo. H. Sheire, Evans ville; Ins., Milton S. Mead, St. Paul; M. O., W.

MISSOURI. George H. Thomas Camp, 32, Houston, Tex., will celebrate the anniversary of its organization, Sept. 25. The Camp was formed with 15 charter members. It is now in a flourishing condition, and gives promise of being one of the best Camps in the Division. Officers: Pritzeker; First Serg't, E. J. Meyer; Q. M. S., C. M. Scholl; S. of G., P. W. Hudson; C. of G.,

PENNSYLVANIA. Alfred G. Loyd, Camp 139, Sharpshurg, has

been appointed Division Inspector, and Wildun Scott, Camp 121, Milton, Mustering Officer. Camps 16, 24 and 45 of the New Jersey Division will go into camp Sept. 5, 6, and 7, near Riverside. Sept. 5 has been designated " Pennsylvania Day," and the Camps of the Pennsylvania Division, especially Philadelphia, on account of vicinity, are cordially and earnestly invited to attend. Commander Adams and staff, of New Jersey Division, and Commander will attend.

RECENT LITERATURE.

ALDEN'S LIVING TOPICS CYCLOPÆDIA. Published by John B. Alden, New York. This volume of the Cyclopædia carries the topics from "A" through "Con." As its name

record of living topics. REMINISSENSEZ OF SCUL LIF. By C. W. Larisun. Published at Ringos, N. J. This book of reminiscences is not without interest in the story it relates, but, chiefly, it is curious, because it is written entirely in the reform spelling and construction. It is difficult

By E. Werner. Published by Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago. Price 25 cents. Some 300-odd pages, tight-full of romance, and, as the title says, ending most desirably. LINCOLN'S CAMPAIGN; or, The Political Revo-Intion of 1860. By Osborn H, Oldroyd. Published

cioth, 75 cents. An interesting history of Lincoln's political campaign, with newspaper accounts, speeches, campaign devices, cartoons, and songs. Following it is a short account of prominent men in the Republican and Democratic ranks in this campaign of 1896.

by Laird & Lee, Chicago. Price, paper, 25 cents;

Magazines and Notes.

seems to be no trouble in that line so far. It has just held a number of delightful teas, number, is exceedingly handsome. The design Worker, serving as President, Secretary, and which have paid well both socially and finan- is a girl scattering poppies. There is a blaze of Treasurer. In Department work she has been cially. It has well on to a hundred honorary red poppies and of gold background, and the equally prominent, having served Illinois two members, which is not at all strange, when one fair maid in the center. Mr. Lyendecker, of

> daintiest of fairies, and is full of grace. There is one bright-haired fairy perched on a mushroom, with a slim, green-coated elf on another, reading from the magazine. The Century Co., 33 East 17th street, New York. The Morse Co., 96 Fifth avenue, New York, announce Bushy: a Rocky Mountain Romance.

The St. Nicholas Midsummer poster has the

by Cynthia Westover. Furthermore, they Wilson's Photographic Magazine for August has its usual ground-glass news, artistic photographs, and articles of news and wisdom for photographers, amateur and professional. Pub-

lished by Edward L. Wilson, 853 Broadway. New York. Price 30 cents. The Electrical Review for this week contains articles on Electricity for Oil Wells, The Rights of Electrical Companies, Electricity in and the husband of another officer having died | Mining, General Telephone News, and much matter of special interest to the Electrician.

At an open session of C. W. Crocker Corps, tions were drawn up to be sent to different offiAuburn, N. Y., Post, Sons of Veterans, and cials, urging them to discontinue the turning adainty pansy design in colors, and many other

The New Bohemian comes out with a very good August number, full of bright stories and

The American Kitchen Magazine for August will be a help to all housekeepers. Its main articles relate to the proper cooking of vegetables. The Home Science Publishing Co., 485 Tremont street, Boston. Price 10 cents a copy. or \$1 a year.

McKinley Club at Red Key. Comrade W. H. Richardson, 3d Ind. battery, writes that a McKinley Club has been formed

been received. G.A.R. National Encampment, St. Paul. The B. & O. R. R. will sell tickets from all points on its lines east of the Obio river to St. Paul at one single fare for the round trip, good for all trains, August 29th, 30th and 31st, valid

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offices of all connecting lines. The B. & O. maintains a double daily service of through solid vestibule trains between the East and Chicago, with Pullman sleeping and

G. A. R. Veterans will remember that all B. O. trains run via Washington, Harper's Ferry

ard the Potomac Valley.